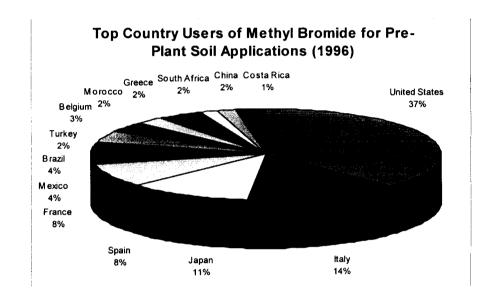
Global Methyl Bromide Pre-Plant Soil Fumigation

Usage of Methyl Bromide for Preplant Soil Applications by Country (1996)

Country	Methyl Bromide Consumption (metric tons)	Methyl Bromide Consumption (lbs.)
United States	18,373	40,493,343
Italy	7,000	15,428,000
Japan	5,568	12,271,519
Spain	4,000	8,816,000
France	3,968	8,745,472
Mexico	2,000	4,408,000
Brazil	1,802	3,972,181
Belgium	1,337	2,946,748
Turkey	964	2,124,656
Greece	950	2,093,800
Morocco	922	2,032,088
South Africa	806	1,775,542
China	736	1,622,144
Costa Rica	600	1,322,400



Sources: UNEP 1995, ICF 1997.

Worldwide Pre-plant Soil Usage

- Pre-plant consumption of methyl bromide in developed and developing countries combined is approximately 50,000 tons annually and represents over 75 percent of total methyl bromide consumption. Developed countries consume approximately 67 percent and Article 5 countries consume approximately 33 percent of total pre-plant methyl bromide consumption annually.
- The United States, Italy, Japan, Israel, France, and Spain are the largest consumers of methyl bromide for pre-plant soil applications. Together, these countries comprise nearly 70 percent of methyl bromide consumption for this end use.
- Article 5 countries with the largest annual consumption of methyl bromide for pre-plant soil applications include Mexico, Brazil, Turkey, Morocco, and Costa Rica. Other Article 5 countries with significant pre-plant methyl bromide usage include Argentina (530 MT), Zimbabwe (514 MT), Columbia (391 MT), Guatemala (384 MT), Jordan (350 MT), Lebanon (299 MT), and Kenya (238 MT).